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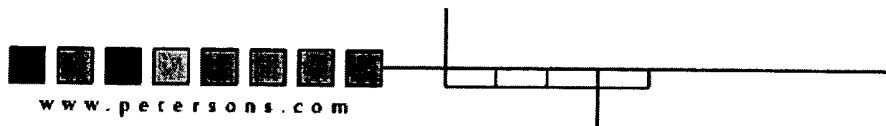
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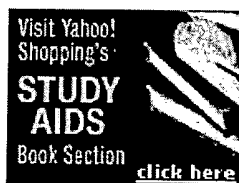
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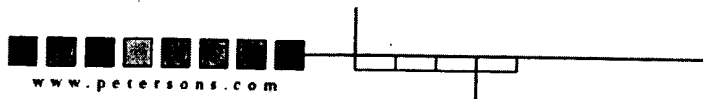
Any of some 5,000 species (phylum Porifera) of permanently affixed (sessile), mostly marine, solitary or colonial invertebrates, found from shallow to deep (more than 30,000 ft, or 9,000 m) waters. Simple sponges are hollow cylinders with a large opening at the top through which water and wastes are expelled. A thin, perforated outer epidermal layer covers a porous skeleton, which is composed of interlocking spicules of calcium carbonate, silica, or spongin (found in 80% of all sponges), a proteinaceous material. The body, ranging in diameter or length from 1 in. (2.5 cm) to several yards, may be fingerlike, treelike, or a shapeless mass. Sponges lack organs and specialized tissue; flagellated cells move water into the central cavity through the perforations, and individual cells digest food (bacteria, other microorganisms, and organic debris), excrete waste, and absorb oxygen. Sponges can reproduce asexually or sexually. Larval forms are free-swimming but all adults are sessile. Since antiquity, sponges have been harvested for use in holding water, bathing, and scrubbing; because of overharvesting and newer technologies, most sponges sold today are synthetic.

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**PRONUNCIATION:** spŭnj

**NOUN:** **1a.** Any of numerous aquatic, chiefly marine invertebrate animals of the phylum Porifera, characteristically having a porous skeleton composed of fibrous material or siliceous or calcareous spicules and often forming irregularly shaped colonies attached to an underwater surface. **b.** The light, fibrous, flexible, absorbent skeleton of certain of these organisms, used for bathing, cleaning, and other purposes.

**2.** Porous plastics, rubber, cellulose, or other material, similar in absorbency to this skeleton and used for the same purposes.

**3.** A gauze pad used to absorb blood and other fluids, as in surgery or the dressing of a wound.

**4.** A small absorbent contraceptive pad that contains a spermicide and is placed against the cervix of the uterus before sexual intercourse.

**5.** Dough that has been or is being leavened.

**6.** A light cake, such as sponge cake.

**7.** A sponge bath.

**8.** One who habitually depends on others for one's own maintenance.

**9a.** *Informal* A glutton. **b.** *Slang* A drunkard.

**VERB:** Inflected forms: **sponged, spong-ing, spong-es**

**TRANSITIVE 1.** To moisten, wipe, or clean with or as if with a sponge: *sponge*

**VERB:** *off the table.*

**2.** To wipe out; erase.

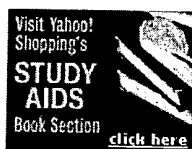
**3.** To absorb with or as if with a sponge: *sponge up the mess.*

**4.** *Informal* To obtain free: *sponge a meal.*

**INTRANSITIVE 1.** To fish for sponges.

**VERB:** **2.** *Informal* To live by relying on the generosity of others: *sponged off her parents.*

**ETYMOLOGY:** Middle English, from Old English, from Latin *spongia*, from Greek *spongĭa*, from *spongos*.



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